

Kelly Jones of the Builders Choice and Ronnie Crochet of Crochet Equipment appeared before the Board of Supervisors to request Kelly Jones to be added to the Solid Waste Program in DeSoto County in order to operate an incinerator to dispose of rubbish in the county. Mr. Jones told the Board of Supervisors that he was at the meeting to request approval to put an incinerator in the City of Southaven. Mr. Jones said he has worked with the City of Southaven and DEQ in Jackson, MS, to establish a new means of disposal of waste material. Mr. Jones estimated that 70 - 75% of landfill debris could be burned. The burner Mr. Jones is proposing is being used in 28 states. Mr. Jones said that people are searching for an alternative to dispose of waste matter and this incinerator would answer that need. Mr. Jones said he has talked to DeSoto County also.

The Chancery Clerk, W. E. "Sluggo" Davis asked Mr. Jones if he is starting this business. Kelly Jones answered that yes he is starting this business and has worked with Conrad Stacks from DEQ in Jackson who has said amending the Solid Waste Program is the next step toward implementing the use of this incinerator in DeSoto County.

Ronnie Crochet explained the incinerator's use as an alternative to solid waste disposal.

Supervisor Eugene Thach speculated that the City of Southaven would save on transportation costs for the disposal of their solid waste. Kelly Jones answered that the City of Southaven has indicated they are interested in saving on the transportation cost for this waste disposal. Mr. Jones also indicated that recycling will be a part of his plan also. Supervisor Thach asked if Mr. Jones is using the incinerator in other places as well. Ronnie Crochet answered that he has built the incinerator in several other places and names many places where the incinerator is being used. Supervisor Thach requested a copy of the letter from the City of Southaven indicating their interests in this process.

Sam Russell, of the DeSoto Planning Commission, notified the Board that Merritt Powell has talked to DEQ in Jackson who recommends all waste be burned everyday and not holding any waste until the next day. Kelly Jones answered that the reason he got a large area was for use in emergency situations, such as the ice storm, where the unit may not be able to handle all material at one time.

The County Administrator, Clovis Reed, asked which of the units on the handout Mr. Jones is proposing to use. Ronnie Crochet answered the unit will be half of the size of the unit on the bottom of the page of the handout.

Supervisor Jessie Medlin asked if Mr. Jones will be mainly going after the business of contractors. Mr. Jones answered yes. Supervisor Jessie Medlin asked how the price for using the incinerator will compare to land fill costs. Kelly Jones answered that these costs will be well below the land fill costs. Supervisor John Caldwell requested to take the matter under advisement as there are many variables to be explored on this issue. Supervisor Caldwell suggesting letting the County Attorney and Board Attorney review this program and make recommendations back to the Board of Supervisors.

Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to take the request to amend the Solid Waste Program to add Kelly Jones business to incinerate waste under advisement. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote.

See Exhibit D

E. OLD BUSINESS

1. Appointments

This item was held over.

2. Accepting and Authorizing Board President to Sign the 1996-97 Metro Narcotics Grant Close Out Package

Supervisor Jessie Medlin made the motion and Supervisor Eugene Thach seconded the motion to accept the Metro Narcotics Grant Close Out Package for the year 1996-97 and authorize the Board President to execute any necessary documents. The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

Jessie Medlin	Yes
Eugene Thach	Yes
Jake Pearson	Absent
John Caldwell	Yes
Tommy Lewis	Yes

See Exhibit E.2

3. Approval to Adopt Budgetary Forms

The County Administrator, Clovis Reed, said he is trying to get information to know exactly what is being requested in the Budget proposals from the departments when implementing the yearly budget. Mr. Reed presented forms in connection with the request. Mr. Reed said to adopt these forms would speed up the budget process and make it easier to identify the specific budget requests from each department. Mr. Reed explained the nature and mission of each form including the justification for personnel and overtime, the need to make increases in current budget amounts, and to identify salary of personnel within each department. Mr. Reed said that he recommended implementation of these budgetary forms into the budget process to simplify the process.

Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to adopt the budgetary forms for use when implementing the budget. Supervisor Lewis requested the County Administrator to notify any elected officials who have a problem with the forms to let the County Administrator know. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote.

See Exhibit E.3.

4. Approval of Contract for Copier for Metro Narcotics - State Contract

Supervisor Tommy Lewis made the motion and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to approve the contract for the copier in Metro Narcotics on State contract. The motion passed by a unanimous vote. **See Exhibit E.4.**

F. NEW BUSINESS

1. Johnnie Waldrop - Petition for Road Name Change

Johnnie Waldrop, Marketing Manager for Jerry Lee Lewis Enterprises, appeared before the Board of Supervisors to request a name change of Malone

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Road from the intersection of Pleasant Hill to Byhalia Road to become Jerry Lee Lewis Blvd., or Jerry Lee Lewis Street. Ms. Waldrop pointed out the Lewis

Ranch is open for tours bring dollars to DeSoto County. She said that

Mr. Lewis is a world renown artist and the road name change would be an effective means of communicating the location of his residence. Mr. Waldrop explained that the music industry is growing. She said that Mr. Lewis tours all over the world and people all over the world come to his home.

Ms. Waldrop mentioned to the Board that Jerry Lee Lewis supports law enforcement, schools and civic organizations in DeSoto County. She said that there are 20 petitions still out in support of this road name change.

The Board of Supervisors recognized that many names on this petition were celebrities that obviously have not signed the petition and pointed out that some of these celebrities were fictional or even dead. Supervisor John Caldwell said he appreciates the sentiment of this request.

Supervisor Tommy Lewis said that he would like to take the matter under advisement. Supervisor Lewis said one strong consideration he would give would be to the people who live on Malone Road.

Supervisor Jessie Medlin said it would be helpful to have the addresses of the people who signed the petition.

Supervisor Tommy Lewis made the motion and Supervisor Eugene Thach seconded the motion to take the request to change a section of Malone Road to Jerry Lee Lewis Street under advisement. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

See Exhibit F.1.

2. Tim Ball, Board Of Education - Eudora School Property

Tim Ball of the DeSoto County Board of Education, appeared before the Board of Supervisors and said that he appreciated the opportunity to be heard by the Board concerning the Eudora School Property recently donated to the County by the Board of Education. Mr. Ball said that the fire department would like to use the gym at this location. Supervisor John Caldwell said that the fire department plans to put in a written request on this matter.

Tim Ball suggested including this land in the Park Study. He said that having been on the school board transferring this property was something he had worked hard on and he would like to see the property stay in the county. Mr. Ball requested that any press releases show this as County property with plans for its use. Mr. Ball presented petitions of support of his request to the Board of Supervisors.

Supervisor Jessie Medlin asked how much land was involved with this property. Tim Ball answered he thinks it is more than 7 acres.

Supervisor John Caldwell said the fire department maintains the property. Supervisor Caldwell said that there are no plans for the property now, but the Lions Club and the fire department have expressed an interest in using the property. Supervisor Caldwell said the Board of Supervisors will have to employ legal counsel to work out a lease arrangement for this property. Tim Ball said that he wants to encourage the Board of Supervisors to use this as

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county property with supervision and again requested the Board of Supervisors publish a statement of plans for the property.

Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion and Supervisor Eugene Thach seconded the motion to hire Bill Austin to work out a lease arrangement for the fire department for this property. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote.

Supervisor Eugene Thach asked how many years the lease will include. Board Attorney, Bill Austin, said that 5 years is the usual lease amount for such property. Supervisor Tommy Lewis suggested doing the lease from year to year. Supervisor John Caldwell said he wants to make sure this lease is handled with the same arrangement that any other lessor would have with DeSoto County property.

See Exhibit F.2.

3. Dale Thompson, Comptroller - County Bills

The Comptroller, Dale Thompson, presented the Claims Docket for approval and explained the report was being presented with 2 print outs rather than 1 to include all county bills normally included in the 1 Claims Docket each month. The Comptroller read out all items on the Claims Docket.

The Comptroller asked for clarification of a bill from Stacey Sprigs, who appeared in court as a Public Defender in a recent lunacy trial. Mr. Thompson said that she understood that Stacey Sprigs appeared in court as an alternative to the 6 Public Defenders who had a conflict with this court date. The Board discussed the issue of Public Defenders. The Chancery Clerk, Sluggo Davis, suggested making the budget reflect "Discharge for Public Defenders". The discussed the issue of Public Defenders and the fact that not any one of the 6 paid Public Defenders was available to handle this lunacy case. The Board discussed the option of paying these Defenders a salary when, in this case, they were having to pay this special bill in addition to the regular salary of the Public Defenders

Supervisor Eugene Thach asked about the cost difference of the Captain's Bars and the First Lieutenant's Bars from the Claims Docket. Dale Thompson said that she will find out about the dramatic difference of these charges.

Supervisor Eugene Thach asked about the travel reimbursement in the Sheriff's Department budget that does not have a name. The Comptroller said she thinks this item was for Randy Doss but was not sure.

The Board of Supervisors discussed the Prisoner Medical Costs and noted that Dr. Meacham's pay is not listed on the printout. The Comptroller suggested that many of these medical bills may be from August and September before the doctor was added to the staff.

The Comptroller noted that the bill to Dumas Manufacturing must be changed to a different account number. The account number should be .

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The County Administrator, Clovis Reed, noted that Kenneth Stockton receives an office allowance. The Comptroller, Dale Thompson, said that Mr. Stockton has received this since his work with Youth Court began.

The Comptroller pointed out the need to refund a ticket in Justice Court. The

Board of Supervisors discussed the refund of these tickets.

Supervisor Tommy Lewis made the motion and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to approve the items on the claims docket as presented by the Comptroller; to approve the bill to Allen and Hoshall in the amount of \$75,695.00 for their work on the Administration Building in the County; the bill from Whitfield Electric Company for \$11,886.00 for installing the generator formally purchased on an emergency purchase at the Jail in DeSoto County; to approve paying Stacey Sprigs for service as a Public Defender in a recent lunacy trial in Chancery Court in DeSoto County and to pay the Public Defenders in Justice Court and approve any budget amendments necessary to do so, which include lowering 001-160-550 and increasing 001-165-550; and to pay the bills as presented by the Comptroller. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote.

See Exhibit F.3.

4. Administration Building - Approval to Pay Bill from Johnson, Bailey, Henderson & McNeel

Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to approve paying the invoice to Johnson, Bailey, Henderson & McNeel in the amount of \$35110.00. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote. **See Exhibit F.4.**

5. James D. "Jake" Pearson Public Library/Community Building - Compliance With Grant Requirements

Supervisor James Pearson made the motion and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to appoint the County Administrator, Clovis Reed, with signatory authority in connection with the Grant for the Walls Library to authorize a public hearing to be held in connection with environmental impact of construction of the library and to approve the draw request for TDL in connection with the library in the amount of \$100,157.00. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote. **See Exhibit F.5.**

6. Data Processing - Approval to Advertise for Programmer (Approved in Budget)

Supervisor James Pearson made the motion and Supervisor John Caldwell seconded the motion to approve advertising for a Programmer in the Data Processing Department. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Also included in this motion was approval to advertise for a maintenance worker in Buildings and Grounds. **See Other Issues Item H.4.**

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7. Board of Education - Request for Driveway at Chickasaw Elementary School

Supervisor Jessie Medlin reported to the Board of Supervisors that he and Road Manager, Kenny Gunn, have looked at the Chickasaw Elementary School to view the site where the county has been requested by the Superintendent of

Education to build a driveway to alleviate excessive traffic at the school. Supervisor Medlin reported to the Board of Supervisors that the school was built for 450-500 students, but they now have 800-900 students. Supervisor Medlin said the request to add this driveway was in the interest of school safety.

Supervisor John Caldwell speculated that this will open the door to other requests.

Supervisor Eugene Thach told the Board of Supervisors that the Board of Supervisors and Board of Education had a meeting to discuss school maintenance issues that the Board of Supervisors had been requested to approve. Supervisor Thach reported that the Superintendent of Education was not aware of the problems the Road Manager has encountered with schoolbus turnarounds. Supervisor Thach said that Superintendent Baird had reported that many of the other requests come from the Supervisors who pass school requests on to the Superintendent of Education and the Superintendent of Education simply forwards those requests to the Board. Supervisor Thach said the Board of Education wants a priority list and schedule for work requested. Supervisor Thach reported that the Board of Education will send a school employee to schoolbus turnaround request locations, so that school employees can specify the details of the work requested. In the past, these requests have been at the discretion of the bus driver. Supervisor Thach said that in the future the Road Manager will let the Superintendent know when they can expect work to be done and if these dates are not workable, the Board of Education will make other arrangements to accomplish the work.

The Road Manager, Kenny Gunn, asked the Board of Supervisors if, in the future, he is to stop road work to do work for the Board of Education. Further, the Road Manager requested the Board of Supervisors set a priority list for work requested by the Board of Education. Supervisor John Caldwell said that if the Board passes an order to approve the Road Manager to do work, the Road Manager cannot tell the Superintendent of Education he will not do the work. The Board discussed these issues.

Supervisor Jessie Medlin asked how long the work requested at Chickasaw Elementary School will take. The Road Manager responded he should be able to complete the work in 2 weeks and the material to do the work is estimated at \$2,000 plus gravel and a culvert. Supervisor Tommy Lewis asked for a priority list for work requested by the Board of Education to be brought to the upcoming November 5th Board Meeting.

Supervisor Jessie Medlin made the motion and Supervisor James Pearson seconded the motion to approve the Road Manager performing the work requested at Chickasaw Elementary School. The **motion did not pass** by a vote as follows:

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Jessie Medlin	Yes
Eugene Thach	No
Jake Pearson	Yes
John Caldwell	No
Tommy Lewis	No

See Exhibit F.7.

8. Inventory Control Disposition

Supervisor Jessie Medlin made the motion and Supervisor John Caldwell seconded the motion to approve the Inventory Control Disposition in the Buildings and Grounds Department as recommended by the Inventory Clerk. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote. **See Exhibit F.8.**

9. Authorizing Travel for All Officials and Employees

In accordance with Section 25-3-41 Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, any official or employee of DeSoto County, Mississippi, is hereby authorized to travel during the period of November 4, 1997, to December 1, 1997, as necessary and incur travel expenses in the performance of their official duties for DeSoto County. That all such travel is hereby authorized contingent on funds being available in the departmental budget of the individual traveling.

Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion and Supervisor James Pearson seconded the motion to approve authorizing travel for all officials and employees. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote.

10. Justice Court Report

Linda Aldridge appeared before the Board of Supervisors to present the Justice Court Report for the month of October, 1997. Ms. Aldridge pointed out that the case load in Justice Court is down.

Supervisor Jessie Medlin pointed out that the Board of Supervisors had sent a Resolution in support of car tag enforcement to the Justice Court Clerks and asked if the Resolution had been sent. The County Administrator,

Clovis Reed, said that yes, and the Judges say in many cases there are reasons these fines are not imposed. Mr. Reed said that there have been cases of divorce situations, one parent may live in Memphis and may be bringing the child back and forth to school for a specified period of time and in that case the parent may legitimately live outside DeSoto County, yet have a need to be at the school every morning. Mr. Reed said there are other scenarios where these tags may be legitimate.

Supervisor Eugene Thach told the Justice Court Clerk that the Board of Supervisors was requested to reimburse a ticket on the claims docket.

Linda Aldridge responded that when young people get a ticket and the ticket is paid without coming to court they have no way of knowing of the option to get the ticket removed and refunded if they attend a driving school. In this case, when the teenager found out about that option they requested to attend the school and have the ticket reimbursed.

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Supervisor Tommy Lewis asked the Justice Court Clerk why revenues are down. Ms. Aldridge responded that more people are going to court and some are being found not guilty. Ms. Aldridge also speculated that some of these may be because of Highway Patrol issues.

Supervisor Jessie Medlin made the motion and Supervisor Eugene Thach seconded the motion to approve the Justice Court Report for the month of October, 1997. **The motion passed** by a unanimous vote. **See Exhibit F.10.**

11. Bailiff Pay

Supervisor Jessie Medlin made the motion and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to approve Bailiff pay for Tommy Carr and Jerry Easley as indicated for their service as Bailiff's in Justice Court. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote.

County Administrator, Clovis Reed, pointed out that a Bailiff request for pay was not received for Joe Holmes for the month of October. The Justice Court Clerk said she would look into Joe Holmes pay. **See Exhibit F.11.**

12. Approval of Bill for Lunacy Commitment - Rankin County

In accordance with Mississippi Code Section 41-21-79, Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion and Supervisor John Caldwell seconded the motion to approve the bill from Rankin County for a Lunacy Commitment for Alretha Thomas in the amount of \$300.00. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote.

See Exhibit F.12.

13. Approval and Authorization for Board President to Execute Service Contract With Memphis Communications for Copier for Civil Defense

At the recommendation of Margaret Stevens, Director of Purchasing, Supervisor Tommy Lewis made the motion and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to approve the contract between DeSoto County and Memphis Communications for copier service in the Civil Defense Department. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote. It was noted by the Board of Supervisors that service for this copier could not be achieved through any business connected with State contract. **See Exhibit F.13.**

14. Park Study Committee

The County Administrator, Clovis Reed, told the Board of Supervisors that the county is beginning to get proposals back for the Park Study. The County Administrator recommends establishing a committee to review these proposals.

Supervisor Eugene Thach pointed out that some cities may want any millage collected for parks to go to City parks.

Supervisor Tommy Lewis made the motion and Supervisor Eugene Thach seconded the motion to appoint Supervisor John Caldwell and Supervisor Jessie Medlin to study the park proposals and present recommendations to the Board of Supervisors. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote.

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15. Monthly Road Report and Work Schedule

The Road Manager, Kenny Gunn, presented the monthly Road Report and Work Schedule for work on roads performed by Central Maintenance pursuant to Section 65-17-7 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, annotated. Supervisor Jessie Medlin asked about the format of the Road Report in connection with the disposition notation for this work. The Road Manager responded that some work orders may not be turned in, therefore, that work will not be added to the Road Report until the work is performed.

Supervisor Tommy Lewis said he is concerned about all pot holes in the county and suggested a patch truck run all the time. Supervisor Lewis requested that the road workers actively look for problems on DeSoto County roads.

Supervisor John Caldwell agrees with Supervisor Lewis. Supervisor James Pearson said he has heard the same concerns in his area of the county.

Supervisor Eugene Thach directed the Road Manager to change the first item on page 3 of the Road Report to reflect Bonner Road, rather than Malone Road.

Supervisor James Pearson made the motion and Supervisor John Caldwell seconded the motion to accept the Monthly Road Report and Work Schedule.

The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote. **See Exhibit F.15.**

G. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The minutes of the Executive Session portion of the Board of Supervisors meeting of November 3, 1997, are included under separate cover.

H. OTHER ISSUES

1. Kenny Gunn, Road Manager

a. Request to Enter Into Agreement for Auction Services

The Road Manager, Kenny Gunn, presented proposals from Don Durham Auctioneers, Sprint Auction Company and Dalton Christian & Associates, Auctioneers, to sell items from Central Maintenance when necessary. The Road Manager pointed out that when entering into an agreement with an auction company to sell equipment as it is being surplused will alleviate holding the equipment for a later auction, during which time the equipment can go down in quality. The Road Manager pointed out that the auction companies will handle the cost of advertising for these auctions. Kenny Gunn said of the 3 companies he recommends Sprint Auction Company.

Mr. Gunn said this is a cost effective means to get rid of surplus property. Supervisor Eugene Thach asked if entering into this agreement will lock the county into one company. The Board Attorney said he would have to look at the terms of the contract.

Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to take this matter under advisement. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote. **See Exhibit H.1.a.**

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b. Walls Satellite Barn Fire

The Road Manager, Kenny Gunn, requested to order a 1 ton truck on state contract to replace the truck burned in the Walls Satellite Barn fire. The Road Manager said he recommends replacing the truck with a truck that will carry a dump bed and said this will carry a minimal cost difference. The Road Manager estimates the cost of this truck to be \$25,000 to \$30,000 and said the truck could be obtained on a State bid.

The Road Manager requested approval to replace the trailer burned in the Walls Satellite Barn fire at a cost of \$3,000 - \$3,500.00 and said 2 quotes

could be obtained for replacement of this trailer.

The Road Manager requested approval to advertise for bids for 2 mowers to replace the ones burned in the Walls Satellite fire. Mr. Gunn said he will have to get these on bids unless a State contract is available for these mowers.

The Board of Supervisors discussed insurance coverage for the equipment in this fire. The County Administrator, Clovis Reed, notified the Board of Supervisors that insurance coverage was for total replacement of this equipment.

Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion and Supervisor James Pearson seconded the motion to advertise for bids for 1 or more of 2 different mowers to replace the ones burned in the Walls Satellite Barn fire, as the mowers burned were 2 completely different models. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote.

c. Request to Convert Byhalia and Red Banks Road to 4-Way Stop

At the recommendation of the Road Manager, Kenny Gunn, Supervisor Jessie Medlin made the motion and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to approve converting the intersection at Byhalia and Red Banks Road to a 4-way stop. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote.

d. Erosion at Stone Creek Street

The Road Manager, Kenny Gunn, said he had been contacted about a soil erosion problem in the county and had contacted the Soil Conservation Service concerning the problem. Supervisor Tommy Lewis explained to the Board of Supervisors that the county put a culvert at this location and drainage from this culvert is causing erosion. Supervisor Lewis notified the Board that the county does possess more right of way in this area than in most places.

The County Administrator, Clovis, Reed, told the Board of Supervisors that there is another program in the Soil Conservation Service called Equip that may be an alternative to handling this erosion problem, if the Soil Conservation Service is not able to help with the problem under the program requested by the Road Manager. The Board of Supervisors directed the Road Manager that if the Soil Conversation Service cannot perform the work

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necessary to stop the erosion, to let the Board of Supervisors know. The Board of Supervisors further directed the Road Manager to let the Board know the response of the Soil Conservation Service on this matter.

e. Annexation

The Road Manager, Kenny Gunn, pointed out that Malone Road was not taken in in the recent annexation between Southaven and Olive Branch. Supervisors Tommy Lewis and Eugene Thach said that Olive Branch will take in this road. The Road Manager notified the Board of Supervisors that he wants authority to swap road maintenance with the cities to alleviate the

necessity to transport heavy equipment to areas of the road where little maintenance is necessary and to trace out that maintenance with the cities who own similar property in the county. The Board Attorney suggested getting the agreement in writing to specify the work swap. Swapping work for state aid roads was discussed. The County Engineer, Daniel Murphy, clarified to the Board of Supervisors that once a road is turned to a state aid road it remains a state aid road.

2. Daniel Murphy, County Engineer

a. Bridges

Supervisor Tommy Lewis said he had received a letter concerning bridges. The County Engineer, Daniel Murphy, explained to the Board of Supervisors that there was a notice to advertise on December 2nd or 3rd to replace 5 different bridges within the county with other alternatives.

b. Approval of Agreement with State Aid For

At the recommendation of the County Engineer, Supervisor James Pearson made the motion and Supervisor Eugene Thach seconded the motion to approve the agreement with State Aid for Bridge Inspection Project #BRIS-17(39) BRIS-17(40). The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote.

c. Acceptance of Report on Project SAP-172M

At the recommendation of the County Engineer, Supervisor Jessie Medlin made the motion and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to approve acceptance of the report in connection with Project SAP-17-(2)M for the project at Johnson Malone Road and Centerhill Road. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote.

3. Buena Vista Lakes Subdivision Roads

A group of people, who are residents at Buena Vista Lake Subdivision, appeared before the Board of Supervisors to request maintenance for the roads within the subdivision. The list of those attending in support of this request are included herewith and listed as Exhibit H.3.

Evelyn and Ernie Blair, residents of Buena Vista Lakes Subdivision, spoke to the Board of Supervisors on behalf of the residents in attendance at the meeting.

The roads in this subdivision have only been resurfaced 1 time in 30 years. Ms. **Item H.3., Continued,**

Blair said this resurfacing took place 12 years ago when they got oil and gravel placed on these roads. Since that time, Ms. Blair said that Buena Vista Lakes only received patch work when necessary from the county. This group is requesting the help of the Board of Supervisors to update these roads and also notify the Board of Supervisors that traffic on Highway 51 has increased dramatically in the past few years. Supervisor Eugene Thach responded that Highway 51 is a state road and the county has no authority to change it.

Evelyn Blair reported to the Board of Supervisors that the residents in Buena Vista are proud of their homes, but the roads are in need of repair and need to be marked.

Supervisor Jessie Medlin asked how much road is included in Buena Vista Lake Subdivision. Supervisor Tommy Lewis responded he estimates there are 6 - 10 miles of road and asked if any of these roads are on the 4 year road plan. The Road Manager, Kenny Gunn, said he did not remember these roads being included on the road plan this year and said that some of the roads may be included in the road plan for next year. Supervisor Tommy Lewis directed the Road Manager to go look at the roads in Buena Vista and determine the need to correct the problems there.

Frank Tribble, of Buena Vista Lakes Subdivision, said that another problem contributing to the road deterioration is due to water leaks and said culverts need to be replaced in the subdivision. Supervisor Tommy Lewis asked the Road Manager to look into this problem also. Helen Tribble also requested that the water company be directed to fix the areas of the roads deteriorated by water leaks.

Supervisor Tommy Lewis asked the County Administrator to send a letter to the water association concerning leaks at Buena Vista Lakes Subdivision.

help Ms. Judy Tartara also a resident of Buena Vista Lakes Subdivision, requested to fix a hole that is in the right of way in the subdivision. The Board of Supervisors asked the Road Manager to look at the hole. Judy Tartara reported her address to the Board of Supervisors.

Supervisor Tommy Lewis made the motion and Supervisor Eugene Thach seconded the motion to send a resolution to Zack Stewart for widening Highway 51 from the city limits of Hernando to the county line of Tate County. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote. **See Exhibit H.3.**

4. Personnel - Building & Grounds

At the recommendation of the County Administrator, Supervisor James Pearson made the motion and Supervisor John Caldwell seconded the motion to approve hiring a maintenance work in the Building & Grounds Department. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote. (This motion was included in the motion for Item F.6.)

Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion and Supervisor John Caldwell seconded the motion to recess until Wednesday November 5, 1997, at 9:00. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote.

THIS the 3rd day of November, 1997, these minutes have been read and approved by the DeSoto County Board of Supervisors.

JOHN M. M. CALDWELL, President
DeSoto County Board of Supervisors